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SUBJECT:

ALCO STEEL
JOLIET, ILLINOIS

TO:

C. W. KLASSEN, DIRECTOR, EPA
ATTN: ROBERT R. FRENCH, CHIEF, BAPC

FROM:

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BUREAU OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL

DATE:

SEPTEMBER 10, 1970

On September 3, 1970 at about 2:30 p.m., I observed open burning of refuse on property formerly known as McKeand Auto Salvage Yard. This property is adjacent to Alco Steel and during a recent incinerator inspection at Alco Steel, Mr. Al Cohn, owner and manager of Alco Steel, said that he had acquired the adjacent McKeand Salvage Yard.

It appeared as if the former McKeand Salvage Yard was being cleaned-up. A bulldozer with the name Alessio and Sons was dumping building material and rubble on an open fire that was about 15 feet in diameter. There was emission of a considerable amount of gray smoke. The wind was from the southwest with intermittent rain.

The open burning of refuse was also observed by Mr. Robert Murray of the Will County Health Department. Open burning of refuse had been observed by Mr. Murray at this site on previous occasions.

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